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PUBLICATION ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF MORTALITY TABLES

A translation from the Danish of the researches of Mr. Arne Fisher on the construction of mortality tables by means of compound frequency curves is now being made by Mr. Vigfusson. This translation is to be printed through the enterprise of the "Scandinavian Insurance Magazine," and will probably be ready before the end of the year, published by Macmillan Co. The forthcoming volume will contain a number of mortality tables relating to widely different populations, such as Massachusetts males, 1914-1916, American Locomotive Engineers, 1913-1917, American Coal Miners, 1913-1917, Industrial Insured Males of the Metropolitan, 1911-1916, Assured Japanese Lives of fourteen Japanese companies, 1913-1917, and others. These tables are of particular interest as they have been prepared from mortuary records exclusively, and with no knowledge of the number of lives exposed to risk. This method was presented briefly in America in a paper read before the Casualty Actuarial Statistical Society of America, under the title "Note of the Construction of Mortality Tables by means of Compound Frequency Curves," and was presented later in some lectures at the University of Michigan. The novelty of the method has been commented upon with interest, and some appreciative reviews of the proposed scheme have appeared in English, Japanese, Belgian and Swiss statistical periodicals. The forthcoming book will be looked forward to with great interest. A. E. V.

APPOINTMENTS ON COMMITTEES FOR 1920

In addition to those published on the cover of the *QUARTERLY*, the following appointments have been made:

Committee on Program for next Annual Meeting:

Wesley C. Mitchell, Chairman
 Robert E. Chaddock
 Earle Clark
 William F. Ogburn
 Warren M. Persons
 George E. Roberts
 Walter F. Willcox

Committee on Fellows:

Leonard P. Ayres, for five years, to take the place of E. Dana Durand, whose term expired 1919.

The full Committee is constituted as follows:

Frederick L. Hoffman, term expires 1920
 Adna F. Weber, term expires 1921
 Edward L. Thorndike, term expires 1922
 Carroll W. Doten, Chairman, term expires 1923
 Leonard P. Ayres, term expires 1924

Committee on Nominations:

Edmund E. Day, Chairman
 Joseph A. Hill
 N. I. Stone

Committee on Business Statistics:

Malcolm C. Rorty, Chairman
 Willard C. Brinton
 Earle Clark

Edith Miller

Warren M. Persons

Horace Secrist

Committee on Criminal Statistics:

Louis N. Robinson, Chairman

Edith Abbott

Robert H. Gault

Horatio M. Pollock

NEW MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION ELECTED SINCE FEBRUARY 1, 1920

- Altmeyer, A. J., Industrial Commission, Madison, Wis. Chief Statistician of same.
- Anderson, George P., Packard Motor Car Co., Detroit, Mich. Charge of special factory statistical reports.
- Arnold, LeGrande Jenks, 14 Wall St., New York City. Financial accounting with Thompson & Black.
- Atwater, Henry G., American Tel. & Tel. Co., 195 Broadway, New York City. Development and presentation of rates, etc.
- Barnard, Chester I., American Tel. & Tel. Co., 195 Broadway, New York City. General charge of research in connection with telephone rates.
- Barrow, David F., University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. Teaching mathematics.
- Barry, Shepard E., 210 Wisconsin St., Milwaukee, Wis. General Auditor and member of the Office Committee, The Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co.
- Beckmann, Senta Bertha, 18 E. 41st St., New York City. Supervision of statistics for Writing Paper Mfg. Assn., Tissue Paper Mfg. Assn., Cover Paper Mfg. Assn., and Book Paper Mfg., Associations.
- Bennett, Mildred V., 15 E. 40th St., New York City. Manager Dept. Survey & Statistics, Community Service Inc.
- Berger, Edla G., Searchlight Library, 450 Fourth Ave., New York City. Member of statistical force employed by the Library in connection with the report of the activities of the Y. M. C. A. in France.
- Breitingner, Chas. MacC., 1000 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Head of Statistical Dept. of the Philadelphia Electric Co.
- Brownrigg, W. G., Room 1114, Arlington Bldg., Washington, D. C. Charge of statistical work, Bureau of War Risk Insurance.
- Clarke, Allan V., 120 Broadway, New York City. Asst. to Statistician, International General Electric Co.
- Cobb, Margaret V., National Research Council, 1201-16th St., Washington, D. C., Elementary School Intelligence Examination Board.
- Comstock, W. Phillips, 910 Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. Statistical work of the Continental Casualty Co.
- Conant, Luther, Jr., 91 Bacon St., Winchester, Mass.
- Correa, Fred B., 817 Standard Oil Bldg., San Francisco, Cal. Sales analysis Standard Oil Company.
- Criscuolo, Luigi, Room 3133, 120 Broadway, New York City. Investment banking, analysis of investment securities.
- Cross, C. F., 1120 Boston Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah. Secretary and Actuary of Inter-Mountain Life Ins. Co.
- Davis, Frank H., Register Tribune Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa. Actuary, Merchants Life Ins. Co.